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FOREMOST CITIZEN CLAIMED BY DEATH

B. F. Beard, Merchant and Banker, Founder of the Mercantile Firm of B. F. Beard & Co. and The Bank of Hardinsburg, Dies.

FUNERAL HELD SATURDAY.

At the ripe age of 87 years, three months and nineteen days, B. F. Beard quietly died on the morning of the 19th day of March, 1915, at the residence of his son, M. D. Beard, in Hardinsburg, Ky. His last illness covered a period of nearly eight weeks. Until then he pursued his usual daily routine of life, and was active in every particular.

Mr. Beard was easily the most pronounced business success of any person in this section of the State, which is attested by the large mercantile firm of B. F. Beard & Co., one of the largest retail stores, exclusive of some in the large cities, and The Bank of Hardinsburg & Trust Company, of which he was the founder and president from its inception in 1890 to his death, and which is one of the strong financial banks of the State. Indeed, the large cities alone afford larger business enterprises than he founded and successfully conducted.

As a tobaccoist he was one of the extensive handlers of that product of the entire State, but for the last several years he has devoted himself exclusively to his banking business, and his son, M. D. Beard, has successfully maintained and enlarged the mercantile business. Every business enterprise he fathered has been uniformly successful because always conducted along lines of sound, conservative business principles.

As a citizen, business man, father of a family, member of his chosen church, his life was exemplary. Absolutely honest, kind, courteous, considerate to all he was esteemed by all.

Mr. Beard was born near Hardinsburg, Ky., on the first day of December, 1827. At the age of twelve years he and his brother, G. W. Beard, recently deceased, were apprenticed to Morris Hensley, until twenty one years of age, because he was left dependent upon the death of his parents. He served his apprenticeship and in 1847 went to California along with the tide of emigrants drawn to the newly discovered gold fields. In 1860 he returned home on a visit, as he thought. While here Margaret Hensley, daughter of Morris Hensley, to whom he had been apprenticed, won his affections, and he married her and immediately embarked upon his business career at Hardinsburg, and ever afterwards resided there. His wife died in 1881. Mr. Beard is survived by his children, C. L. Beard, P. M. Beard, M. D. Beard and Mrs. Elizabeth Edelen, wife of Allen Shut-

tleworth Edelen, the prominent stock man of Mercer county, Ky., and B. F. Beard, Jr., and Allen Murray Beard, the latter the young sons of the late Morris H. Beard, who was the older son of Mr. Beard.

Mr. Beard refused to be lured from his successful business pursuits by political preferment, although, at times, he would consent to act as Chairman of the Democratic County Committee, and was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in Chicago which nominated Mr. Cleveland the last time.

The funeral occurred Saturday at one o'clock p. m., and was attended by a large concourse of people representative of all creeds and walks in life. Floral tributes from home people and out of town friends were elaborate and in great numbers.

The active pall bearers were: Carl Richardson, Louisville; Coleman Haswell, Paul Compton, Herbert Beard, Claude Mercer and Willis Green, of Falls of Rough. The honorary pall bearers were: Logan C. Murray, president American National Bank, Louisville; William Bridges, of the Pickett Tobacco Warehouse Co., Louisville; E. B. Robinson, vice-president of the Southern National Bank, Louisville; W. R. Hensley, of the L., H. & St. L. Ry. Co., Arthur Board, of Swann-Abram Hat Co., Louisville; Dr. A. M. Kinchloe, J. B. Mattingly, C. M. Heston, John Alexander, Taylor Beard Matthias Miller, John O'Reilly, Judge Mercer and F. M. Peyton.

Funeral services were held at the M. E. Church, South, of which Mr. Beard had been a member for many years. The Rev. Mr. Johnson, the pastor, assisted by Rev. J. W. Hughes, of Kingswood, reviewed the life of Mr. Beard, applicable to the texts chosen for the occasion, and his discourse was impressive, pertinent, eloquent and able.

Declares Ban On Cattle.

Shelby county has declared a quarantine against all counties in which the foot and mouth disease may develop. Guards are stationed at the county line and all highways to prevent the passage of cattle, hogs and sheep.

Cottage Prayer Meetings.

The Methodist women are holding cottage prayer meetings every Friday in the interest of the series of services planned to be held in the Methodist church at an early date. Someone has said if people believed in prayer, the places of prayer meetings would be crowded.

Appreciation League.

A man in Ohio county has founded what he calls an "appreciation" league. Its members agree to report employees who are courteous and amiable, and to watch more keenly for virtues than for faults.

Little Child Burns.

The thirteen year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Crutcher, of Pine Bluff, Ky., fell into an open fire and was burned to death.

Best General Average of The Season 40,000 Pounds Sold; Quality Poor But General Average Proved to be the Best Sale Yet.

Prices \$1.40 to \$9.10.

Bring us your tobacco; demand better and we are sure prices will be better.

Next Sale Next Tuesday, March 30th

BRECKENRIDGE LOOSE LEAF TOBACCO HOUSE

Hardinsburg, Kentucky.

BANK OF HARDINSBURG AND TRUST COMPANY

**Nominated Sole Executor to the
Large Estate of B F Beard by
a Codicil in His Will Jan 1,
1914**

**M D BEARD ELECTED
PRESIDENT OF THE BANK**

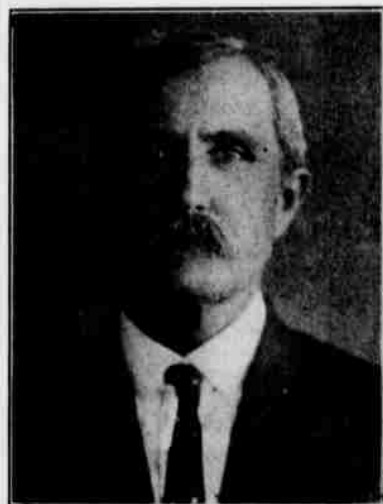
The late will of B. F. Beard was probated on the 22 instant, it was written entirely in the hand writing of Mr. Beard. The body of the will was written in 1895, and he makes an equal division of his estate equally between his five children. It developed on Jan. 1, 1914, by a codicil to his will in the hand writing of Mr. Beard. He designated the Bank of Hardinsburg and Trust Co., the sole executor of his estate with unlimited authority to sell or dispose of Real and Personal Property, and effectuate a division thereof. Among his heirs at law as directed by his will this is, indeed, significant of the stability and sound management of this Bank because within a period of nine weeks, after the death of M. H. Beard, Mr. B. F. Beard provided for the executorship of his large estate by the Bank. This is a tribute to the Bank and its management that cannot be over estimated.

First, M. H. Beard, in the prime of life unhesitatingly confided his entire estate to the management of this Bank. And approximately a year and a half thereafter, B. F. Beard his father, unhesitatingly confided his large estate into the keeping of the management of this Bank. However, it was but the expected because the Bank had grown from its infancy to immense proportions, under the direct supervision of B. F. Beard and Morris H. Beard to the date of the latter's death, and since the latter's death in 1913 the direct supervision of the Bank has been under the joint supervision of Mr. Beard and Paul Compton, the latter taking the place in its management previously occupied by M. H. Beard. The Bank has sedately grown and a glance at the condition of it on the date of the death of Mr. M. H. Beard, and its present condition discloses a continuous increase. Its policies, which have characterized the Bank from its infancy are fixed and will be strictly continued thereby, insuring sound, safe, conservative management and an absolute safety to its many patrons.

The Board of Directors on the 22nd instant, met and unanimously elected M. D. Beard to succeed B. F. Beard, his father, as president, which means that the bank will be conducted along the same line, under the direct and active management of M. D. Beard and Mr. Paul Compton, its efficient cashier, who has been schooled for 18 years, in the management of this Bank under the direct supervision of the late President and Vice President, both deceased. Mr. Compton's efficiency is shown by the Bank of his steady promotion under the eyes of B. F. Beard and M. H. Beard; to the cashiership of the Bank in succession to M. H. Beard, who at that time was made Vice President, and the steady increase in the Bank's assets since M. H. Beard's

**To the Democrats of
Breckinridge County:**

I respectfully submit, for your favorable consideration and endorsement, my candidacy for the nomination, by the Democrats, as their candidate for the office of Circuit Court Clerk of Breckinridge county, which nomination will be determined at the primary election to be held on August 7, 1915. I have served now nearly one term as Circuit Clerk of Breckinridge county and I feel assured in stating that my record as Clerk entitles me to an endorsement at your hands as your candidate for a second term. It has long been a custom within the democratic party, which now amounts to practically a principle thereof, that an



office holder, if he makes good, in justice, merits a second term. My life-long success, together with my record as Clerk of the Circuit Court, entitles me, as I think, to an endorsement at the hands of my party. I assure you if nominated I will endeavor to secure Democratic success at the polls in November, and I further assure you, should I not be nominated, I will endeavor to do all I can towards contributing to the success of the Democratic party at said election, as I have always done in the past. I am grateful to the party for having elected me to this office nearly six years ago, and I now ask your approval of my official career by endorsing me for a second term.

Respectfully,
LEE WALLS.

death, when the full measure of the management of its affairs as exercised by M. H. Beard, fell upon him, and the patrons of the Bank are assured that the future of the Bank is foretold by the past, because the same business regulations and policies which have made it to this day, to be continued in the future.

Mr. Marvin D. Beard, the newly elected president, is the sole member of the large mercantile firm of B. F. Beard & Co. after having become owner of it about ten years ago, and under his direct management, the firm has grown and expanded until now it is one of the largest stores in the State of Kentucky. His business success in the mercantile world stamps Mr. M. D. Beard as a business man worthy of the highest courtesy and insures the many patrons of the bank that its present head is a man of business parts which have been thoroughly demonstrated.

HUNDREDS ATTEND THE EXAMINING TRIAL OF STANT GARNER

At Hardinsburg Before Judge Dowell, Monday--Story of Garner's Shooting and Death of Mr. Henry is Told.

The examining trial of Stant Garner, charged with killing J. L. Henry, of Irvington, was held at Hardinsburg Monday before County Judge D. D. Dowell.

H. C. Murray, County Attorney, and Judge Henry DeHaven Moorman, Commonwealth's Attorney, represented the Commonwealth, and Claude Mercer and W. Sherman Ball represented the defendant.

The court house was filled to overflowing with people from all over the county to hear the trial.

Judge Dowell called the case promptly at 1 o'clock. The witnesses on both sides were called and sworn and repaired to the jury room to be consulted by the attorneys. In about an hour both sides announced ready for trial.

Mr. John Lyddan, son-in-law of the deceased, was the first witness called. Mr. Lyddan said he was the first one to enter the barn loft after the shooting. Mr. Henry had some pulse, but did not speak. He lived about two minutes after I got there. Saw no weapon. He was lying on his back and a corn knife near his feet. Did not see Garner, and knew nothing of the corn trade. Mr. Henry was 80 years old.

Examined By Defense.

Two escapes in barn stairway and window. Got about well for his age and weighed about 200 pounds. Corn knife shown the witness. Said it was same knife he saw in barn. Said Mr. Henry was high-tempered. Had been treated for swimming in the head. Said prisoner could have gotten out of barn through hay rack.

James Jarrett was the next witness. He said he hauled the corn to Henry's barn for Garner. Put corn in Henry's barn loft. Henry said the corn was not as good as he bought and would not accept it. Jarrett told Garner that Mr. Henry was not pleased with the corn. Garner said he would take corn back, and see him and make it good. He shucked 2½ bushels to send to Henry to replace bad corn. Pete Dent hauled it to Mr. Henry. Saw Garner with a pistol killing cats under his house.

Pete Dent on the Stand.

Saw Garner Friday. Hauled corn from shop to Henry's stable. Got off wagon at top of hill, took corn to Henry's barn. He was in loft. Garner got in wagon then in barn loft. Garner asked Henry if he picked rotten corn out, Henry then asked Garner if it was merchantable corn; that he wanted it sound. Disputing over the corn Henry said, "I'll cut your throat." Then the witness left; turned corner of barn when he heard pistol shot. Garner met him at gate and said he believed he had killed the old man. I did not see Garner with pistol.

J. B. Herndon.

Saw Henry soon after he was shot. Found him in barn loft shot in corner of mouth with pistol. Had pulse when I got there; lived two minutes; was unconscious. Garner told me he had shot Mr. Henry. He was coming at me with corn knife. Found knife near Henry's feet. Dr. Parks examined wound.

By Mercer.

Saw corn knife by his body. Known Mr. Henry from childhood. High strung man and vindictive when angry.

Dr. W. B. Taylor

said he saw Mr. Henry soon after his death. Shot entered jaw bone; lived three or four minutes. No powder burns on his face. Said Garner told him that he had shot Mr. Henry and wanted him to go and see what he could do for him.

Commonwealth Closed Here
Stant Garner testified that he was 42

years old, born in Grayson county and reared in Breckenridge, near McDaniels, where he had spent most of his life. Said he had lived in Irvington eight years and had known Mr. Henry that long. I shot Mr. Henry last Friday. Difficulty came up over some corn I sold him. Sold him 30 bushels; delivered all but 2½ bushels; 35 bushels at one time, 2½ at another. That was five weeks ago. Paid me for the 50 bushels. Told him I had plenty of corn. Seemed to be in a good humor and satisfied. Traded my shop and was fixing to move and thought I had better deliver the rest of corn before I left. I filled five sacks, two for self and three for Henry. Told Jarrett to take corn to Henry and rest to my barn. Told Jarrett to weigh three bushels and deliver to Henry. There were three bushels and ten pounds. Jarrett took the corn to Henry, came back and said he was not satisfied with it, that I had better go and see him. Went to his home, saw him in family room and told him I understood he was not pleased with the corn. He said it was not good; lots of rotten corn in it. I told him I had more corn at the crib, I would shuck it and send to him. Said it was all right.

I walked back to town, met H. Tinius asked him to go back to house with me and get something to eat and get butter. Got to house, found cats in there, so we set in to get cats out. Crippled one cat with poker and it ran out of house under the floor. I told Tinius to get gun out of drawer. I shot twice under the floor. Killed cat with stick. Jarrett came to water stock; went to barn with him; told Herbert to lock doors. When I went back to house found doors locked. Could not put pistol away and dropped it in my pocket. I went on to town and came up with Tinius. Told him I had to send Mr. Henry some corn, that he was not pleased with what I sent him; that I had better take it to him and get him pleased. Went to corn crib, picked corn and asked Jim Jarrett to take it to Henry. I decided I would go along with him. At top of hill I got out, went to his back door and told him corn was at barn. Went to barn; he got up in loft and said: "Garner you have delivered corn, it is not right and you are not trying to do right." I said, I don't see why, I have offered to do all I can to make it right. I saw he was growing angry and stepped back from him. He said, I'll cut your d---n head off, and raised his knife. I ran back three steps and put my hand in my pocket and told him not to come on me with that knife. I took my hand out of my pocket. He said, Garner, you are a d---s---b---, and rushed on me with knife drawn. I raised my gun and fired, and he fell back. I passed down stairway out of barn. I told Mr. Dent to go back and see him. Was in hopes I had not hurt him. I then hurried down town for a doctor and told Dr. Parks, Albert Marshall, Dr. Taylor and Neufus what I had done and asked them to go out there.

Mr. Garner said he had never had any trouble with Mr. Henry; that he liked him; that he did not intend to shoot him but could not help it. Said he had no chance to get out of his way; that he had to do what he did to save himself.

This closed the testimony for defendant save a few witnesses who were introduced to establish the character of the defendant.

Judge Dowell took the case under advisement and rendered his decision Tuesday morning dismissing the case.

Double Tragedy.

Joseph Skain, joint owner with his brother, former Mayor John Skain, of the Phoenix Hotel at Lexington, was shot and killed by his engineer, Elias Walden, Thursday. Walden then shot and killed himself. The double tragedy occurred in the hotel and was brought about by the suspension of Walden from his position by Skain. It is said they were the best of friends and that Walden was drinking. Whiskey is good at making criminals.

Sales By Beard.

Mrs. Taylor B. Beard has sold \$102 worth of Mammoth Bronze turkeys. Thos. Beard sold to Dr. E. C. McDonald a Jersey cow for \$50.

Big Blaze at Henderson.

The business district of Henderson was threatened with destruction when fire broke out in Leob Co.'s store. Two fire companies worked for several hours before the flames were subdued. The loss on stock and building is about \$30,000.

Clock 125 Years Old.

Ed Morrow and J. A. Beazley, of Lancaster, Ky., are the possessors of a grandfather clock that is said to be 125 years old. It still keeps good time.

Relief For Jews.

Carrying 900 tons of relief supplies for the starving Jews of Palestine, the United States collier, Vulcan, sailed last Sunday.

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